

Application No. – not yet assigned --  
Preliminary Amendment Dated January 20, 2004

RESPONSE

Prior to this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-45 were present in this application. By this Preliminary Amendment, claims 6, 9-13, 15-18, 27 and 30-45 are cancelled and claims 1, 5, 8, 21-22, 28 and 29 are amended. Subsequent to this Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-5, 7-8, 14, 19-26 and 28-29 are present in this application.

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed simultaneously with a Continuation Application based on U.S. Application Serial Number 10/053,055.

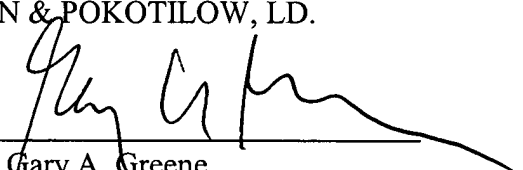
A further response is intended to be filed.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place the application in even better condition for initial examination and allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

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